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THE LOUISIANA ECONOMIC SITUATION

Louisiana's nonagricultural employment in February was estimated at 1,610,000, an increase of 4,800 from the January revised level and 55,600 higher than February, 1990.

Employment in the goods producing industry, estimated at 333,500, was 200 above the January figure. Mining employment was up due to an increase in the exploration for oil and gas. An upturn in heavy construction activity was responsible for higher construction employment. Manufacturing employment was lower due to decreases in the nondurable goods segment.

Service producing employment was estimated at 1,276,500 for February, an increase of 4,600 from the January estimate. Lower employment in the transportation, communications, and public utilities industry was due to less business in each segment. Seasonal decreases in the general merchandise, apparel and accessory stores, and miscellaneous retail trade segments accounted for most of the loss in the trade industry. Employment in the finance, insurance, and real estate industry remained stable over the month. Health services was mainly responsible for the increase in total services employment. Government employment was higher due to an increase in state education payrolls.

Average weekly earnings of Louisiana's 133,000 production workers in manufacturing decreased from $500.76 in January to $481.11 in February, a decrease of $19.65, and a decrease of $3.35 from February of last year. Average hourly earnings were $0.15 higher in February than last month, and $0.37 higher than February a year ago. Weekly hours averaged 40.6 during the month, a decrease of 2.2 hours from the January revised figure of 42.8 hours.

The February preliminary unemployment rate for Louisiana was 6.6 percent, a slight decrease from the January revised rate of 7.0 percent. The average unemployment rate for the last three months (December, January, February) was 6.6 percent compared to 6.3 percent for the same period last year.

The national unemployment rate for February, 1991 was 7.2 percent compared to 7.0 percent for January and 5.8 percent for February, 1990. This is the first time that the unemployment rate for Louisiana has been lower than the national unemployment rate since April, 1982.

Total unemployment decreased to 122,000. This decrease is primarily the result of a decline in claims for unemployment insurance.

The state's civilian labor force decreased to 1,859,500 with a decrease in total employment to 1,737,500.

LOUISIANA
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	1610.0	1605.2	1554.4	+ 4.8	+55.6
GOODS PRODUCING	333.5	333.3	319.7	+ 0.2	+13.8
MINING	55.9	55.7	54.5	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
Oil and Gas Extraction	54.1	53.9	52.7	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
Nonmetallic Minerals	1.8	- 1.8	1.8	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	93.6	93.5	86.2	+ 0.1	+ 7.4
General Contractors	18.2	18.7	16.8	- 0.5	+ 1.4
Heavy Construction, ex. Bldg.	38.6	37.4	34.0	+ 1.2	+ 4.6
Special Trade Contractors	36.8	37.4	35.4	- 0.6	+ 1.4
MANUFACTURING	184.0	184.1	179.0	- 0.1	+ 5.0
Durable Goods	82.6	82.5	80.1	+ 0.1	+ 2.5
Lumber and Wood Products	11.9	12.2	12.2	- 0.3	- 0.3
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	5.2	5.1	5.4	+ 0.1	- 0.2
Primary Metal Industries	3.1	3.0	2.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Fabricated Metal Products	14.6	14.6	13.6	0	+ 1.0
Machinery, Except Electrical	11.8	12.0	11.2	- 0.2	+ 0.6
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	6.7	6.7	6.6	0	+ 0.1
Transportation Equipment	25.6	25.2	24.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.1
Other Durable Goods (1)	3.7	3.7	3.7	0	0
Nondurable Goods	101.4	101.6	98.9	- 0.2	+ 2.5
Food & Kindred Products	20.7	20.9	19.0	- 0.2	+ 1.7
Apparel & Other Textile Products	10.4	10.5	11.0	- 0.1	- 0.6
Paper & Allied Products	12.3	12.2	12.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Printing & Publishing	10.1	10.0	9.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	29.7	29.8	28.8	- 0.1	+ 0.9
Inorganic Chemicals	5.8	5.9	5.7	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Organic Chemicals	11.0	11.0	10.6	0	+ 0.4
Petroleum and Coal Products	11.6	11.6	11.3	0	+ 0.3
Petroleum Refining	10.7	10.7	10.4	0	+ 0.3
Other Nondurable Goods (2)	6.6	6.6	6.9	0	- 0.3
SERVICE PRODUCING	1276.5	1271.9	1234.7	+ 4.6	+41.8
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	110.2	110.5	109.4	- 0.3	+ 0.8
Railroad Transportation	4.7	4.7	4.9	0	- 0.2
Transportation, ex. Railroads	66.4	66.5	64.8	- 0.1	+ 1.6
Water Transportation	27.1	27.0	26.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Communications & Public Utilities	39.1	39.3	39.7	- 0.2	- 0.6
Comm., ex. US Postal Service	16.8	16.9	17.3	- 0.1	- 0.5
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	22.3	22.4	22.4	- 0.1	- 0.1

LOUISIANA - CONTINUED
NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	371.8	374.3	360.1	- 2.5	+11.7
Wholesale Trade	86.0	86.0	83.6	0	+ 2.4
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	47.2	47.3	46.4	- 0.1	+ 0.8
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	38.8	38.7	37.2	+ 0.1	+ 1.6
Retail Trade	285.8	288.3	276.5	- 2.5	+ 9.3
Bldg. Mat'ls. & Garden Supplies	9.8	9.9	9.2	- 0.1	+ 0.6
General Merchandise	39.1	40.5	39.9	- 1.4	- 0.8
Food Stores	56.5	56.8	54.9	- 0.3	+ 1.6
Auto Dealers & Service Stations	30.5	30.7	29.8	- 0.2	+ 0.7
Apparel and Accessory	15.8	16.1	15.9	- 0.3	- 0.1
Furniture and Equipment	9.6	9.6	9.1	0	+ 0.5
Eating and Drinking Places	92.8	92.5	87.6	+ 0.3	+ 5.2
Other Retail Trade	31.7	32.2	31.0	- 0.5	+ 0.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE	78.7	78.7	78.6	0	+ 0.1
Banking	29.4	29.4	29.7	0	- 0.3
Insurance	26.8	26.7	26.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
SERVICES	379.5	378.4	363.1	+ 1.1	+16.4
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.8	21.6	21.9	+ 0.2	- 0.1
Personal Services	13.9	13.8	14.2	+ 0.1	- 0.3
Business Services	63.6	63.2	60.7	+ 0.1	+ 2.9
Auto Repair, Services & Garages	11.7	11.7	11.2	0	+ 0.5
Miscellaneous Repair Services	7.8	7.8	7.4	0	+ 0.4
Amusement & Recreation Services	11.9	11.7	10.3	+ 0.2	+ 1.6
Health Services	119.4	118.7	113.2	+ 0.7	+ 6.2
Hospitals	52.7	52.6	50.2	+ 0.1	+ 2.5
Legal Services	15.9	16.2	15.7	- 0.3	+ 0.2
Educational Services	26.4	26.3	25.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
Social Services	22.3	22.2	21.0	+ 0.1	+ 1.3
Membership Organizations	27.0	26.9	25.6	+ 0.1	+ 1.4
Eng., Acct. and Related Services	28.6	28.7	27.6	- 0.1	+ 1.0
Miscellaneous Services	5.1	5.1	4.4	0	+ 0.7
GOVERNMENT	336.3	330.0	323.5	+ 6.3	+12.8
Federal	37.7	37.8	37.5	- 0.1	+ 0.2
State and Local	298.6	292.2	286.0	+ 6.4	+12.6
State	106.6	100.4	98.5	+ 6.2	+ 8.1
Local	192.0	191.8	187.5	+ 0.2	+ 4.5

*** Preliminary** ****Revised**

(1) Includes furniture and fixtures, professional equipment and misc. manufacturing industries.

(2) Includes leather, rubber and textile products.

All estimates of nonagricultural wage and salaried workers in this publication are prepared in cooperation with U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics and include all full-time and part-time workers who were employed during the pay period including the 12th of the month.

AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING AND SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES IN LOUISIANA

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb. '91*	Jan. '91**	Feb. '90**	Feb. '91*	Jan. '91**	Feb. '90**	Feb. '91*	Jan. '91**	Feb '90**
ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	481.11	500.76	484.46	40.6	42.8	42.2	11.85	11.70	11.48
Durable Goods	433.60	455.18	436.18	40.0	42.5	41.7	10.84	10.71	10.46
Lumber & Wood Products	323.98	389.96	364.27	36.9	42.9	41.3	8.78	9.09	8.82
Stone, Clay, & Glass Pdts.	404.43	384.13	394.18	39.0	36.9	39.3	10.37	10.41	10.03
Fabricated Metal Products	471.16	446.22	422.15	42.6	44.4	42.3	11.06	10.05	9.98
Machinery, ex. Electrical	420.89	456.26	409.92	42.6	44.6	44.8	9.88	10.23	9.15
Electric & Electronic Equip.	604.35	628.97	632.06	39.5	42.1	43.5	15.30	14.94	14.53
Transportation Equipment	444.65	487.18	453.13	38.8	42.4	40.1	11.46	11.49	11.30
Nondurable Goods	525.71	542.23	528.20	41.2	43.0	42.7	12.76	12.61	12.37
Food & Kindred Products	328.89	321.60	321.31	39.2	40.1	41.3	8.39	8.02	7.78
Apparel & Other Textile Pdts.	198.27	212.63	206.75	33.1	36.1	36.4	5.99	5.89	5.68
Paper & Allied Products	615.04	620.20	602.80	43.1	44.3	44.0	14.27	14.00	13.70
Printing & Publishing	416.58	415.94	408.11	39.3	38.8	36.8	10.60	10.72	11.09
Chemicals & Allied Pdts.	769.97	771.48	722.95	46.3	46.7	45.1	16.63	16.52	16.03
Petroleum & Coal Products	682.80	836.18	846.13	39.4	47.7	48.6	17.33	17.53	17.41
Petroleum Refining	685.76	849.27	867.98	38.7	47.9	48.9	17.72	17.73	17.75
MINING	614.92	632.98	570.72	46.2	47.7	48.0	13.31	13.27	11.89
COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC UTILITIES	526.12	551.69	520.00	41.2	42.9	41.7	12.77	12.86	12.47
BANKING	278.50	282.36	289.34	36.5	39.0	39.1	7.63	7.24	7.40

(1) Data in the average earnings table are for approximately 133,000 full-time and part-time workers in manufacturing and 94,400 nonsupervisory employees in communications, public utilities, mining and banking. The averages are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

BATON ROUGE AREA
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb. '91*	Jan. '91**	Feb. '90**	Feb. '91*	Jan. '91**	Feb. '90**	Feb. '91*	Jan. '91**	Feb. '90**
ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	603.91	592.02	580.44	44.9	42.9	42.9	13.45	13.80	13.53
Chemicals and Petro. Products	781.63	788.78	782.47	47.2	45.7	46.3	16.56	17.26	16.90

(1)Data in the average earnings table are for approximately 14,900 production workers and are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

NEW ORLEANS AREA
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	452.98	471.16	454.43	39.7	42.6	41.7	11.41	11.06	10.90
Durable Goods	380.32	413.88	406.72	38.3	41.1	41.0	9.93	10.07	9.92
Stone, Clay, & Glass Pdts.	350.06	349.68	400.15	37.4	37.6	41.9	9.36	9.30	9.55
Fabricated Metal Products	379.47	396.54	360.69	39.0	39.3	40.3	9.73	10.09	8.95
Ship & Boatbld'g. and Repair	345.38	386.34	376.99	36.9	41.1	39.6	9.36	9.40	9.52
Nondurable Goods	530.19	533.94	506.60	41.1	44.2	42.5	12.90	12.08	11.92
Food & Kindred Products	351.78	366.77	360.83	38.7	43.2	42.5	9.09	8.49	8.49
Apparel & Other Textile Pdts.	138.72	262.26	201.24	24.0	41.3	36.0	5.78	6.35	5.59
Printing & Publishing	404.20	398.11	380.89	43.0	41.6	37.6	9.40	9.57	10.13
Chemicals & Allied Pdts.	831.66	792.60	744.28	47.2	48.3	46.0	17.62	16.41	16.18

(1)Data in the average earnings table are for approximately 31,700 production workers and are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

SHREVEPORT AREA
AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

ALL MANUFACTURING (1)	515.69	524.39	499.57	40.1	41.0	41.7	12.86	12.79	11.98
Lumber and Wood Products	288.97	284.25	346.04	37.0	37.5	46.2	7.81	7.58	7.49
Food and Kindred Products	261.28	267.72	298.59	35.5	34.5	37.0	7.36	7.76	8.07
Printing and Publishing	370.26	360.48	365.90	37.1	35.1	36.3	9.98	10.27	10.08
Chemicals & Allied Products	600.85	589.79	618.61	41.9	41.1	46.9	14.34	14.35	13.19

(1)Data in the average earnings table are for approximately 13,100 production workers and are computed on a "Gross" basis and reflect overtime, late shift work and incentive rates.

LOUISIANA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE SUMMARY

(in thousands)	PRELIMINARY FEBRUARY, 1991				REVISED JANUARY, 1991				REVISED FEBRUARY, 1990			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPL.	UNEMP.	RATE	LABOR FORCE	EMPL.	UNEMP.	RATE	LABOR FORCE	EMPL.	UNEMP.	RATE
LOUISIANA	1859.5	1737.5	122.0	6.6	1869.9	1738.4	131.5	7.0	1820.4	1696.3	124.1	6.8
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS:												
Alexandria 1/	56.5	52.6	3.9	6.9	57.2	52.8	4.4	7.7	56.6	52.7	3.9	6.9
Baton Rouge 2/	268.6	253.9	14.7	5.5	268.1	252.0	16.1	6.0	263.5	248.9	14.6	5.5
Houma - Thibodaux 3/	68.5	64.2	4.3	6.2	68.9	64.4	4.5	6.5	66.5	62.1	4.4	6.6
Lafayette 4/	104.6	99.6	5.0	4.8	104.9	99.2	5.7	5.4	99.7	94.1	5.6	5.6
Lake Charles 5/	76.2	71.3	4.9	6.5	76.4	70.9	5.5	7.2	74.3	69.1	5.2	7.0
Monroe 6/	66.7	62.4	4.3	6.4	67.5	62.7	4.8	7.1	67.5	63.4	4.1	6.1
New Orleans 7/	569.4	539.7	29.7	5.2	572.5	541.2	31.3	5.5	562.8	529.1	33.7	6.0
Shreveport 8/	151.0	141.0	10.0	6.6	153.0	142.0	11.0	7.2	150.4	139.9	10.5	7.0

1/ Rapides Parish only. 2/ Includes Ascension, East Baton Rouge, Livingston, and West Baton Rouge parishes. 3/ Includes Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes. 4/ Includes Lafayette and St. Martin parishes. 5/ Calcasieu Parish only. 6/ Ouachita Parish only. 7/ Includes Jefferson, Orleans, St. Bernard, St. Tammany, St. Charles and St. John the Baptist parishes. 8/ Includes Bossier and Caddo parishes.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The Consumer Price Index, sometimes called the "Cost of Living Index", is a monthly measure of the average change in prices in a fixed quantity of goods and services.

ALL URBAN CONSUMERS	INDEX	% CHANGE FROM PRIOR MONTH	% CHANGE FROM PRIOR YEAR
February 1990	128.0		
February 1991	134.8	+ 0.1	+ 5.3

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, OTHER AREAS

AREA	PRELIMINARY FEBRUARY 91 LABOR FORCE	EMPL	UNEMP	RATE	REVISED JANUARY 91 LABOR FORCE	EMPL	UNEMP	RATE
CROWLEY (ACADIA)	21,200	19,525	1,675	7.9	21,150	19,625	1,525	7.2
OAKDALE (ALLEN)	9,650	8,225	1,425	14.6	9,100	8,075	1,025	11.4
NAPOLEONVILLE (ASSUMPTION)	6,450	5,550	900	13.9	6,475	5,525	950	14.7
BUNKIE (AVOYELLES)	16,075	14,050	2,025	12.6	16,250	14,000	2,250	13.9
DERIDDER (BEAUREGARD)	13,200	12,300	900	6.9	13,350	12,400	950	7.1
ARCADIA (BIENVILLE)	6,675	6,125	550	8.3	6,750	6,125	625	9.2
COLUMBIA (CALDWELL)	4,150	3,750	400	9.7	4,225	3,750	475	11.5
CAMERON (CAMERON)	4,425	4,200	225	5.1	4,425	4,200	225	4.8
JONESVILLE (CATAHOULA)	3,500	2,950	550	15.5	3,525	2,925	600	17.2
HOMER (CLAIBORNE)	7,150	6,700	450	6.2	7,225	6,725	500	6.9
FERRIDAY (CONCORDIA)	9,125	7,725	1,400	15.4	9,300	7,725	1,575	17.0
MANSFIELD (DESOTO)	10,900	9,900	1,000	9.1	11,050	9,975	1,075	9.7
LAKE PROVIDENCE (E. CARROLL)	3,350	2,725	625	18.9	3,325	2,700	625	18.9
CLINTON (EAST FELICIANA)	6,825	6,375	450	6.8	6,850	6,375	475	7.1
VILLE PLATTE(EVANGELINE)	13,625	12,575	1,050	7.7	13,550	12,475	1,075	8.0
WINNSBORO (FRANKLIN)	8,625	7,625	1,000	11.5	8,725	7,575	1,150	13.0
COLFAX (GRANT)	7,100	6,450	650	9.1	7,275	6,525	750	10.2
NEW IBERIA (IBERIA)	26,250	24,575	1,675	6.4	26,575	24,625	1,950	7.3
PLAQUEMINE (IBERVILLE)	11,150	9,975	1,175	10.5	11,225	9,975	1,250	11.1
JONESBORO (JACKSON)	5,900	5,500	400	6.7	5,975	5,575	400	6.9
JENNINGS (JEFFERSON DAVIS)	10,925	10,075	850	7.8	11,100	10,050	1,050	9.6
JENA (LASALLE)	5,775	5,300	475	8.3	5,925	5,350	575	9.8
RUSTON (LINCOLN)	17,975	17,225	750	4.2	17,975	17,225	750	4.2
TALLULAH (MADISON)	5,375	4,650	725	13.5	5,325	4,600	725	13.7
BASTROP (MOREHOUSE)	12,625	11,200	1,425	11.3	12,775	11,225	1,550	12.1
NATCHITOCHES (NATCHITOCHES)	14,900	13,575	1,325	8.9	15,150	13,650	1,500	10.0
POINT-A-LA-HACHE (PLAQUM.)	8,425	7,900	525	6.2	8,525	7,900	625	7.4
NEW ROADS (POINTE COUPEE)	6,725	5,825	900	13.2	6,900	5,875	1,025	14.9
COUSHATTA (RED RIVER)	3,775	3,450	325	8.4	4,000	3,450	550	13.5
RAYVILLE (RICHLAND)	7,800	6,775	1,025	13.0	7,825	6,675	1,150	14.7
MANY (SABINE)	10,000	9,325	675	6.7	9,975	9,325	650	6.6
GREENSBURG (ST. HELENA)	2,475	2,275	200	8.3	2,500	2,250	250	9.8
LUTCHER (ST. JAMES)	9,500	8,725	775	8.1	9,600	8,725	875	9.1
OPELOUSAS (ST. LANDRY)	30,175	27,225	2,950	9.8	30,400	27,175	3,225	10.6
MORGAN CITY (ST. MARY)	23,725	22,000	1,725	7.2	23,950	22,050	1,900	7.9
HAMMOND (TANGIPAHOA)	36,275	33,150	3,125	8.6	36,550	33,300	3,250	8.9
ST. JOSEPH (TENSAS)	2,200	1,950	250	10.9	2,225	1,925	300	13.7
FARMERVILLE (UNION)	8,150	7,400	750	9.1	8,200	7,450	750	9.0
ABBEVILLE (VERMILION)	17,500	16,075	1,425	8.2	17,550	16,000	1,550	8.9
LEESVILLE (VERNON)	18,425	17,175	1,250	6.7	18,600	17,300	1,300	7.0
BOGALUSA (WASHINGTON)	17,200	15,700	1,500	8.7	17,325	15,700	1,625	9.3
MINDEN (WEBSTER)	18,425	16,525	1,900	10.3	18,300	16,575	1,725	9.4
OAK GROVE (WEST CARROLL)	4,425	3,450	975	22.1	4,475	3,425	1,050	23.6
ST. FRANCISVILLE (W. FELIC.)	3,925	3,575	350	9.0	4,025	3,650	375	9.2
WINNFIELD (WINN)	5,975	5,475	500	8.4	5,900	5,475	425	7.4

NOTE: LABOR MARKET AREAS ARE DESIGNATED BY NAME OF PRINCIPAL TOWN, BUT INCLUDE ALL OF PARISH IN PARENTHESES.

ABOVE DATA ROUNDED TO NEAREST 25. SUBTOTALS MAY NOT ADD TO TOTALS DUE TO ROUNDING. RATES ARE COMPUTED FROM UNROUNDED DATA.

ALEXANDRIA AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	46.3	46.1	46.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
GOODS PRODUCING	6.3	6.2	6.5	+ 0.1	- 0.2
MINING	0.1	0.1	0.1	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	3.0	2.9	2.9	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
MANUFACTURING	3.2	3.2	3.5	0	- 0.3
Durable Goods	1.8	1.8	2.1	0	- 0.3
Nondurable Goods	1.4	1.4	1.4	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	40.0	39.9	39.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.4
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	2.3	2.3	2.3	0	0
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	10.3	10.4	10.4	- 0.1	- 0.1
Wholesale Trade	1.9	1.9	1.9	0	0
Retail Trade	8.4	8.5	8.5	- 0.1	- 0.1
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	2.0	2.0	2.1	0	- 0.1
SERVICES	12.3	12.3	11.9	0	+ 0.4
Health Services	5.3	5.4	5.2	- 0.1	+ 0.1
GOVERNMENT	13.1	12.9	12.9	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
Federal	2.9	2.9	2.9	0	0
State and Local	10.2	10.0	10.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
State	4.6	4.5	4.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Local	5.6	5.5	5.6	+ 0.1	0

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Alexandria MSA was estimated at 46,300 for the current month. This estimate was 200 more than last month, and 200 more than February, 1990.

Goods producing employment was estimated at 6,300 for February. This estimate was 100 more than last month, as a result of an increase in the construction industry. Compared to February of last year, this figure declined by 200, with the largest decline centered in durable goods.

Service producing employment for the current month was estimated at 40,000. This estimate was 100 more than January, as a result of an increase in state and local government. Compared to February of last year, service producing employment increased by 400, with the largest increase centered in the services sector.

BATON ROUGE AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	239.5	235.9	232.0	+ 3.6	+ 7.5
GOODS PRODUCING	51.5	51.2	50.8	+ 0.3	+ 0.7
MINING	0.8	0.8	0.8	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	27.3	27.2	28.1	+ 0.1	- 0.8
MANUFACTURING	23.4	23.2	21.9	+ 0.2	+ 1.5
Durable Goods	5.7	5.6	5.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
Nondurable Goods	17.7	17.6	16.7	+ 0.1	+ 1.0
Food & Kindred Products	2.2	2.1	1.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
Printing & Publishing	1.5	1.5	1.4	0	+ 0.1
Chemicals and Petroleum Products	12.3	12.3	11.8	0	+ 0.5
Other Nondurable Goods	1.7	1.7	1.8	0	- 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING	188.0	184.7	181.2	+ 3.3	+ 6.8
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	11.4	11.3	10.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.6
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	54.0	54.1	51.6	- 0.1	+ 2.4
Wholesale Trade	12.5	12.5	12.5	0	0
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	8.7	8.7	8.7	0	0
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	3.8	3.8	3.8	0	0
Retail Trade	41.5	41.6	39.1	- 0.1	+ 2.4
General Merchandise	6.5	6.7	6.5	- 0.2	0
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	13.0	13.0	12.8	0	+ 0.2
Banking	4.1	4.1	4.1	0	0
SERVICES	54.6	54.4	51.8	+ 0.2	+ 2.8
GOVERNMENT	55.0	51.9	54.2	+ 3.1	+ 0.8
Federal	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
State and Local	52.5	49.4	51.7	+ 3.1	+ 0.8
State	29.9	26.8	29.4	+ 3.1	+ 0.5
Local	22.6	22.6	22.3	0	+ 0.3

BATON ROUGE AREA

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

The Baton Rouge MSA nonagricultural employment, under the influence of seasonal expansion, rose 3,600 to a level of 239,500 during February. This figure was 7,500 above the year-ago estimate.

The goods producing sector continued to climb in February to a level of 51,500. Manufacturing led the upturn with more business in both durable and nondurable goods. Construction provided additional employment due to more business in heavy and special trade construction.

The service producing sector responded to the seasonal return of nonfaculty staff to state colleges and universities. More business in sanitary services pushed transportation, communications, and public utilities up to a level of 11,400. Trade employment continued seasonal cutbacks in retail department and apparel stores. The services industry gained 100 each in membership organizations and health services.

Average weekly earnings of the Baton Rouge MSA's 14,900 production workers in all manufacturing was $603.91 for February, an increase of $11.89 from the January average. Compared to the prior year, weekly earnings were up $23.47. Average weekly hours at 44.9, increased 2.0 hours, while average hourly earnings at $13.45 decreased by $0.35 per hour. A longer workweek contributed to these changes.

The total civilian labor force for the Baton Rouge MSA rose to 268,600 in February. Total employment increased to 253,900, while unemployment dropped to 14,700. The unemployment rate for the MSA was 5.5 percent.

The Baton Rouge Job Service Office served 1,640 individuals with new or renewal applications. A total of 1,804 referrals to current openings resulted in 167 placements during the month of February.

HOUMA - THIBODAUX AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	57.8	57.8	55.5	0	+ 2.3
GOODS PRODUCING	13.1	13.3	11.9	- 0.2	+ 1.2
MINING	5.6	5.6	5.3	0	+ 0.3
CONSTRUCTION	2.0	2.0	1.7	0	+ 0.3
MANUFACTURING	5.5	5.7	4.9	- 0.2	+ 0.6
Durable Goods	4.2	4.2	3.4	0	+ 0.8
Nondurable Goods	1.3	1.5	1.5	- 0.2	- 0.2
SERVICE PRODUCING	44.7	44.5	43.6	+ 0.2	+ 1.1
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	6.5	6.5	6.6	0	- 0.1
Water Transportation	4.0	4.0	4.2	0	- 0.2
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	14.5	14.5	13.9	0	+ 0.6
Wholesale Trade	2.9	3.0	2.9	- 0.1	0
Retail Trade	11.6	11.5	11.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.6
General Mdse. & App. & Acc.	2.3	2.3	2.1	0	+ 0.2
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	2.1	2.1	2.1	0	0
SERVICES	10.7	10.8	10.2	- 0.1	+ 0.5
GOVERNMENT	10.9	10.6	10.8	+ 0.3	+ 0.1
Federal	0.4	0.4	0.5	0	- 0.1
State and Local	10.5	10.2	10.3	+ 0.3	+ 0.2
State	3.1	2.8	2.9	+ 0.3	+ 0.2
Local	7.4	7.4	7.4	0	0

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Houma-Thibodaux MSA remained at the same level as in January, but was 2,300 above the year-ago level.

Goods producing employment decreased to 13,100, down 200 from January, but was 1,200 above the February, 1990 figure. Mining held steady in the worst season of the year for outside work. Construction remained at the same level. In manufacturing, the nondurable goods segment lost jobs due to seasonal decreases in seafood processing and sugar processing.

Service producing employment showed an overall gain of 200. In trade, a small gain in the retail sector was balanced by a minor decrease in the wholesale sector. Services tapered off largely in business services. State government pushed up in state educational services as the spring semester moved further along.

Estimated unemployment was 4,300 in February. Unemployment presently comprises 6.2 percent of the civilian labor force for the Houma-Thibodaux MSA. Recipients of regular unemployment benefits totaled 958.

LAFAYETTE AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	99.1	98.5	93.0	+ 0.6	+ 6.1
GOODS PRODUCING	26.5	26.7	24.5	- 0.2	+ 2.0
MINING	13.1	13.3	11.9	- 0.2	+ 1.2
CONSTRUCTION	4.3	4.3	3.7	0	+ 0.6
MANUFACTURING	9.1	9.1	8.9	0	+ 0.2
Durable Goods	2.8	2.7	2.5	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Nondurable Goods	6.3	6.4	6.4	- 0.1	- 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING	72.6	71.8	68.5	+ 0.8	+ 4.1
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	7.4	7.3	6.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.6
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	25.7	25.7	24.1	0	+ 1.6
Wholesale Trade	6.2	6.1	5.7	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
Retail Trade	19.5	19.6	18.4	- 0.1	+ 1.1
General Merchandise	2.5	2.6	2.7	- 0.1	- 0.2
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	3.3	3.3	3.3	0	0
Banking	1.2	1.2	1.2	0	0
SERVICES	22.4	22.2	20.9	+ 0.2	+ 1.5
GOVERNMENT	13.8	13.3	13.4	+ 0.5	+ 0.4
Federal	0.9	1.0	1.0	- 0.1	- 0.1
State and Local	12.9	12.3	12.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.5
State	5.1	4.5	4.9	+ 0.6	+ 0.2
Local	7.8	7.8	7.5	0	+ 0.3

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Lafayette MSA was estimated at 99,100 in February. This estimate was 600 higher than last month's level and 6,100 above the February, 1990 revised level.

Goods producing employment was estimated at 26,500 for February. This estimate was 200 below the January figure, but 2,000 above the year-ago revised figure. The drop in goods producing employment for February, 1991 was due to mining.

Service producing employment was estimated at 72,600 for February. This estimate was 800 above the January, 1991 level. Transportation, communications, and public utilities was up by 100 from the prior month. Services rose by 200 due to an employment increase in engineering, accounting, amusement and recreation. Government was up by 500 for February due to students being hired for the spring semester.

LAKE CHARLES AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	67.0	66.3	64.3	+ 0.7	+ 2.7
GOODS PRODUCING	19.0	18.6	17.9	+ 0.4	+ 1.1
MINING	1.4	1.3	1.3	+ 0.1	+ 0.1
CONSTRUCTION	6.2	5.8	4.6	+ 0.4	+ 1.6
MANUFACTURING	11.4	11.5	12.0	- 0.1	- 0.6
Durable Goods	2.7	2.7	3.2	0	- 0.5
Nondurable Goods	8.7	8.8	8.8	- 0.1	- 0.1
Chemical & Petro Products	8.0	8.0	8.0	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	48.0	47.7	46.4	+ 0.3	+ 1.6
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	4.4	4.2	4.2	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	15.1	15.2	15.1	- 0.1	0
Wholesale Trade	3.4	3.4	3.1	0	+ 0.3
Retail Trade	11.7	11.8	12.0	- 0.1	- 0.3
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	2.6	2.6	2.6	0	0
SERVICES	14.7	14.5	13.7	+ 0.2	+ 1.0
GOVERNMENT	11.2	11.2	10.8	0	+ 0.4
Federal	0.6	0.6	0.6	0	0
State and Local	10.6	10.6	10.2	0	+ 0.4
State	3.3	3.3	3.1	0	+ 0.2
Local	7.3	7.3	7.1	0	+ 0.2

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Lake Charles MSA was estimated at 67,000, an increase of 700 from the January, 1991 revised estimate. Compared to a year ago, nonagricultural employment in the MSA has increased by 2,700.

Goods producing employment was estimated at 19,000, a gain of 400 from the January, 1991 level. Mining and construction both showed a strong increase in employment in February, with the construction industry increasing by 400 and mining by 100. Manufacturing had a minimal drop of 100.

Service producing employment was estimated at 48,000, an increase of 300 from the January level. Transportation, communications, and public utilities and services each had a gain of 200, while trade was off by 100 in February. The gain in employment in the services sector and the loss in employment in the trade sector was due to seasonal factors.

MONROE AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	58.0	58.0	58.4	0	- 0.4
GOODS PRODUCING	10.6	10.7	10.7	- 0.1	- 0.1
MINING	0.4	0.4	0.4	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	2.5	2.6	2.6	- 0.1	- 0.1
MANUFACTURING	7.7	7.7	7.7	0	0
Durable Goods	1.9	1.9	2.1	0	- 0.2
Nondurable Goods	5.8	5.8	5.6	0	+ 0.2
Food & Kindred Products	0.8	0.8	0.8	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5.0	5.0	4.8	0	+ 0.2
SERVICE PRODUCING	47.4	47.3	47.7	+ 0.1	- 0.3
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	3.0	3.0	3.2	0	- 0.2
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	14.9	15.2	14.5	- 0.3	+ 0.4
Wholesale Trade	3.7	3.8	3.7	- 0.1	0
Retail Trade	11.2	11.4	10.8	- 0.2	+ 0.4
General Mdse. & App. & Acc.	2.6	2.7	2.5	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Eating & Drinking Places	3.3	3.3	3.2	0	+ 0.1
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	4.4	4.3	4.4	+ 0.1	0
Banking	1.8	1.8	1.9	0	- 0.1
SERVICES	13.4	13.2	13.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
GOVERNMENT	11.7	11.6	12.6	+ 0.1	- 0.9
Federal	0.7	0.7	0.7	0	0
State and Local	11.0	10.9	11.9	+ 0.1	- 0.9
State	4.8	4.7	5.3	+ 0.1	- 0.5
Local	6.2	6.2	6.6	0	- 0.4

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the Monroe MSA was estimated at 58,000. This estimate was unchanged from last month, and 400 below the February, 1990 estimate.

Goods producing, estimated at 10,600, was 100 below last month. The loss was in construction.

Service producing employment for the current month was estimated at 47,400. This was 100 above the January estimate. Services, primarily health services, increased by 200. Finance, insurance, and real estate and government increased by 100. Trade declined by 300.

NEW ORLEANS AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	541.1	539.6	526.3	+ 1.5	+14.8
GOODS PRODUCING	83.2	82.5	78.8	+ 0.7	+ 4.4
MINING	14.1	14.0	13.6	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
Oil & Gas Extraction	13.8	13.7	13.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.6
CONSTRUCTION	23.7	23.5	21.8	+ 0.2	+ 1.9
MANUFACTURING	45.4	45.0	43.4	+ 0.4	+ 2.0
Durable Goods	24.2	24.0	22.9	+ 0.2	+ 1.3
Lumber and Wood Products	0.5	0.5	0.5	0	0
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	1.3	1.3	1.4	0	- 0.1
Fabricated Metal Products	2.3	2.3	2.2	0	+ 0.1
Machinery Inc. Electrical	3.4	3.4	3.1	0	+ 0.3
Transportation Equipment	14.8	14.6	13.8	+ 0.2	+ 1.0
Ship & Boatbuilding & Repairing	11.3	11.1	10.2	+ 0.2	+ 1.1
Other Durable Goods	1.9	1.9	1.9	0	0
Nondurable Goods	21.2	21.0	20.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.7
Food & Kindred Products	5.6	5.5	5.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2.0	1.9	2.1	+ 0.1	- 0.1
Printing & Publishing	3.7	3.7	3.6	0	+ 0.1
Chemicals and Allied Products	5.1	5.1	4.9	0	+ 0.2
Petroleum & Coal Products	3.7	3.7	3.4	0	+ 0.3
Other Nondurable Goods	1.1	1.1	1.1	0	0
SERVICE PRODUCING	457.9	457.1	447.5	+ 0.8	+10.4
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	43.5	43.6	43.5	- 0.1	0
Railroad Transportation	1.3	1.3	1.3	0	0
Trucking and Warehousing	8.2	8.2	8.0	0	+ 0.2
Water Transportation	13.0	13.1	13.2	- 0.1	- 0.2
Comm. & Public Util.	13.0	13.0	13.1	0	- 0.1
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	133.1	133.5	131.8	- 0.4	+ 1.3
Wholesale Trade	30.6	30.8	30.7	- 0.2	- 0.1
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	17.4	17.5	17.5	- 0.1	- 0.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	13.2	13.3	13.2	- 0.1	0
Retail Trade	102.5	102.7	101.1	- 0.2	+ 1.4
General Merchandise	12.5	12.8	12.4	- 0.3	+ 0.1
Food Stores	20.5	20.3	19.8	+ 0.2	+ 0.7
Eating & Drinking Places	36.3	35.7	35.8	+ 0.6	+ 0.5
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	31.4	31.3	31.7	+ 0.1	- 0.3
Banking	10.2	10.2	10.3	0	- 0.1
SERVICES	159.5	158.?	152.0	+ 1.3	+ 7.5
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	14.7	14.5	14.6	+ 0.2	+ 0.1
Health Services	41.9	41.6	40.1	+ 0.3	+ 1.8
Educational Services	19.3	19.2	17.9	+ 0.1	+ 1.4
GOVERNMENT	90.4	90.5	88.5	- 0.1	+ 1.9
Federal	16.0	16.1	15.9	- 0.1	+ 0.1
State and Local	74.4	74.4	72.6	0	+ 1.8
State	20.1	20.1	19.7	0	+ 0.4
Local	54.3	54.3	52.9	0	+ 1.4

NEW ORLEANS AREA

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Total nonagricultural employment in the New Orleans MSA for February was estimated at 541,100, an increase of 1,500 over the January level. Gains were experienced in most industry divisions.

Goods producing employment increased to 83,200, up 700 from January, and 4,400 above the February, 1990 figure. Mining inched up mostly in the oil and gas extraction segment. Construction benefited from additional heavy construction projects. In manufacturing, ship and boat building and repairing, food and kindred products, and apparel and other textile products, rose due to an increase in business.

Service producing employment added 800 workers from the previous month. Transportation, communications, and public utilities moved down as local port activity eased. Trade was reduced to pre-holiday employment levels. Finance, insurance, and real estate edged up. Government showed a loss in the federal sector. Services employment rose throughout the industry.

Production workers in the area earned an average of $452.98 per week, down $18.18 from last month's average. Average weekly hours were 39.7, down 2.9 hours from the previous month. Average hourly earnings were $11.41, up $0.35 from January, and up $0.51 over January of last year.

Estimated unemployment was 29,700 for February. The unemployment rate registered 5.2 percent. Recipients of regular unemployment benefits totaled 6,762.

SHREVEPORT AREA
Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment
(In Thousands by Industry)

	Feb. 1991*	Jan. 1991**	Feb. 1990**	Net Change From Jan. 1991	Net Change From Feb. 1990
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	132.7	133.2	130.1	- 0.5	+ 2.6
GOODS PRODUCING	26.5	26.5	26.1	0	+ 0.4
MINING	3.1	3.1	3.2	0	- 0.1
CONSTRUCTION	5.7	5.7	5.4	0	+ 0.3
MANUFACTURING	17.7	17.7	17.5	0	+ 0.2
Durable Goods	12.3	12.2	12.1	+ 0.1	+ 0.2
Lumber and Wood Products	0.5	0.5	0.4	0	+ 0.1
Primary and Fabricated Metals	2.0	2.0	1.8	0	+ 0.2
Machinery, Inc. Electrical	5.1	5.1	5.2	0	- 0.1
Other Durable Goods	4.7	4.6	4.7	+ 0.1	0
Nondurable Goods	5.4	5.5	5.4	- 0.1	0
Food & Kindred Products	0.7	0.7	0.8	0	- 0.1
Printing & Publishing	1.3	1.4	1.4	- 0.1	- 0.1
Chemicals & Petroleum Products	1.6	1.6	1.5	0	+ 0.1
Other Nondurable Goods	1.8	1.8	1.7	0	+ 0.1
SERVICE PRODUCING	106.2	106.7	104.0	- 0.5	+ 2.2
TRANSP., COMM. & PUBLIC UTIL.	8.1	8.0	8.1	+ 0.1	0
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	32.3	32.6	31.1	- 0.3	+ 1.2
Wholesale Trade	7.9	8.0	7.8	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Retail Trade	24.4	24.6	23.3	- 0.2	+ 1.1
FINANCE, INS. & REAL ESTATE	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	0
SERVICES	32.8	33.0	32.0	- 0.2	+ 0.8
GOVERNMENT	26.7	26.8	26.5	- 0.1	+ 0.2
Federal	4.9	5.0	4.9	- 0.1	0
State and Local	21.8	21.8	21.6	0	+ 0.2
State	6.7	6.7	6.7	0	0
Local	15.1	15.1	14.9	0	+ 0.2

SHREVEPORT AREA

EMPLOYMENT AND PAYROLL TRENDS

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment in the Shreveport area decreased to an estimated 132,700 in February, dropping 500 below the revised total for January, while showing a 2,600 increase from one year ago.

Goods producing employment was unchanged from the 26,500 estimate for January. There was only a small over-the-year job growth in construction and manufacturing. Mining employment dropped 100 from the February, 1990 figure.

Service producing employment decreased to 106,200, falling below the 106,700 estimate for January. Trade dropped to 32,300, down 300 from the total in January. Services employment, at 32,800, had an over-the-month decrease of 200. Total government employment decreased to 26,700, down 100 from the estimate for January. The finance, insurance, and real estate sector was unchanged at 6,300. Transportation, communications, and public utilities increased to 8,100, a gain of 100 from January.The over-the-year gain of 2,200 in service producing employment includes a significant increase in trade and services.

An estimated 13,100 manufacturing production workers in the Shreveport area had average weekly earnings of $515.69, down $8.70 from January. The average weekly hours of 40.1 dropped below 41.0 in January. Average hourly earnings rose slightly over the month from $12.79 to $12.86.

The current civilian labor force estimated at 151,000, includes 141,000 employed and 10,000 unemployed, giving an unemployment rate of 6.6 percent. The average unemployment rate for December, January, and February in this area was 7.0 percent, down from 7.3 percent for the same period one year ago.

INSURED UNEMPLOYED BY INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATION GROUP FOR THE WEEK INCLUDING THE 19th OF FEBRUARY 1991

Industry	LOUISIANA			ALEXANDRIA AREA			BATON ROUGE AREA		
	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE
Mining (10-14)	1,512	1,222	290	22	18	4	26	21	5
Contract Construction (15-17)	10,322	6,826	3,496	453	322	131	1,941	1,327	614
Manufacturing (20-29)	6,361	3,086	3,275	149	67	82	219	122	97
Trans., Comm., & Utilities (40-49)	1,646	1,004	642	60	42	18	140	65	75
Wholesale Trade (50-51)	1,099	719	380	26	19	7	129	74	55
Retail Trade (52-59)	4,340	2,463	1,877	157	92	65	484	230	254
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (60-67)	1,083	798	285	34	27	7	145	98	47
Services & Misc. (70-89 and 01-09)	8,132	4,230	3,902	252	147	105	763	388	375
Public Administration (91-97)	1,053	542	511	41	28	13	97	41	56
All Others	87	50	37	0	0	0	35	17	18
Totals	35,635	20,940	14,695	1,194	762	432	3,979	2,383	1,596
Occupations									
Professional, Tech., & Managerial	3,619	2,847	772	102	85	17	461	346	115
Clerical and Sales	6,577	4,611	1,966	210	154	56	776	487	289
Services Occupations	3,114	971	2,143	120	48	72	261	76	185
Agri., Fishing, Forestry & Related Occ.	1,136	335	801	35	18	17	35	7	28
Processing Occupations	1,275	579	696	11	8	3	32	16	16
Machine Trades	1,725	1,136	589	90	57	33	182	143	39
Benchwork Occupations	1,647	780	867	42	11	31	53	37	16
Structural Work Occupations	10,417	6,488	3,929	431	295	136	1,834	1,131	703
Miscellaneous Occupations	6,125	3,193	2,932	153	86	67	345	140	205
Totals	35,635	20,940	14,695	1,194	762	432	3,979	2,383	1,596

INSURED UNEMPLOYED BY INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATION GROUP FOR THE WEEK INCLUDING THE 19th OF FEBRUARY 1991

Industry	HOUMA-THIBODAUX AREA			LAFAYETTE AREA			LAKE CHARLES AREA		
	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE
Mining (10-14)	89	74	15	191	153	38	26	25	1
Contract Construction (15-17)	203	168	35	219	132	87	538	406	132
Manufacturing (20-29)	467	303	164	263	105	158	103	49	54
Trans., Comm., & Utilities (40-49)	79	64	15	51	44	7	51	35	16
Wholesale Trade (50-51)	53	32	21	69	53	16	20	18	2
Retail Trade (52-59)	148	95	53	156	96	60	145	97	48
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (60-67)	22	22	0	43	34	9	30	23	7
Services & Misc. (70-89 and 01-09)	254	153	101	347	253	94	203	124	79
Public Administration (91-97)	22	17	5	29	19	10	23	12	11
All Others	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	1,338	928	410	1,368	889	479	1,139	789	350
Occupations									
Professional, Tech., & Managerial	130	115	15	212	184	28	129	104	25
Clerical and Sales	184	152	32	307	250	57	223	169	54
Services Occupations	103	37	66	110	48	62	81	28	53
Agri., Fishing, Forestry & Related Occ.	41	14	27	20	9	11	42	10	32
Processing Occupations	291	177	114	118	44	74	23	14	9
Machine Trades	51	48	3	37	24	13	48	34	14
Benchwork Occupations	15	7	8	84	39	45	12	8	4
Structural Work Occupations	280	218	62	261	156	105	449	326	123
Miscellaneous Occupations	243	160	83	219	135	84	132	96	36
Totals	1,338	928	410	1,368	889	479	1,139	789	350

INSURED UNEMPLOYED BY INDUSTRY AND OCCUPATION GROUP FOR THE WEEK INCLUDING THE 19th OF FEBRUARY 1991

Industry	MONROE AREA			NEW ORLEANS AREA			SHREVEPORT AREA		
	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE	TOTAL	WHITE	NON-WHITE
Mining (10-14)	35	34	1	116	86	30	180	130	50
Contract Construction (15-17)	345	275	70	1,629	966	663	445	279	166
Manufacturing (20-29)	186	101	85	950	384	566	688	359	329
Trans., Comm., & Utilities (40-49)	41	32	9	610	331	279	163	104	59
Wholesale Trade (50-51)	5	3	2	381	236	145	122	73	49
Retail Trade (52-59)	137	87	50	1,437	745	692	443	237	206
Fin., Ins., & Real Estate (60-67)	37	32	5	506	344	162	109	86	23
Services & Misc. (70-89 and 01-09)	317	186	131	2,262	1,183	1,079	839	415	424
Public Administration (91-97)	36	11	25	226	98	128	91	51	40
All Others	2	2	0	16	14	2	2	2	0
Totals	1,141	763	378	8,133	4,387	3,746	3,082	1,736	1,346
Occupations									
Professional, Tech., & Managerial	137	123	14	1,303	952	351	341	275	66
Clerical and Sales	251	183	68	2,241	1,428	813	672	492	180
Services Occupations	98	24	74	970	239	731	412	94	318
Agri., Fishing, Forestry & Related Occ.	10	6	4	66	26	40	52	8	44
Processing Occupations	17	10	7	115	38	77	34	5	29
Machine Trades	131	82	49	344	217	127	149	71	78
Benchwork Occupations	27	16	11	313	63	250	387	229	158
Structural Work Occupations	294	229	65	1,715	945	770	535	317	218
Miscellaneous Occupations	176	90	86	1,066	479	587	500	245	255
Totals	1,141	763	378	8,133	4,387	3,746	3,082	1,736	1,346

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